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PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(d)**

**Attn: Group Director**

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached. These documents were cited by an Office Action dated January 13, 2009. A copy of the Office Action is also attached. Other document reference (AE) 2001-202368 cited by this Office Action was previously submitted with Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 7, 2005; and reference (AK) ASAHI was previously submitted with Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 15, 2008.

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The undersigned hereby certifies XX that each item of information contained in this statement was first cited in a communication (Office Action dated January 13, 2009) from a foreign

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